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IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF
ARIZONA WATER COMPANY FOR AN
INCREASE OF AREA TO BE SERVED AT
CENTRAL HEIGHTS, ARIZONA.

DOCKET NO. W-01445A-14-0305

PROCEDURAL ORDER**BY THE COMMISSION:**

On September 20, 1961, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") issued Decision No. 33424, granting Arizona Water Company ("AWC" or "Company") a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CC&N") to serve various areas in Gila County, Arizona.

On August 18, 2014, the City of Globe ("Globe" or "City") filed a Petition to Amend Decision No. 33424 pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-252, requesting that the Commission amend Decision No. 33424 to remove the portions of AWC's CC&N that the City states it has provided water service to since the early 1900s.

At the Commission's Staff Open Meeting on October 16, 2014, the Commissioners voted to reopen Decision No. 33424 pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-252, and instructed the Commission's Hearing Division to conduct further proceedings on the matter.

On October 30, 2014, by Procedural Order, a procedural conference was set to discuss the procedural schedule to be followed in this matter.

On November 5, 2014, the parties filed a Joint Motion to Continue the Procedural Conference scheduled for November 10, 2014.

On November 6, 2014, by Procedural Order, the procedural conference scheduled for November 10, 2014, was continued until January 6, 2015.

On January 2, 2015, AWC filed a Request to Appear Telephonically.

On January 6, 2015, the procedural conference convened as scheduled. Globe, AWC, and

1 Staff appeared through counsel. During the procedural conference, proposed procedural deadlines,
2 the possibility of settlement, and the need for a proposed form of notice and the need for maps of the
3 disputed areas were discussed.

4 The Commission now issues this Procedural Order to govern the preparation and conduct of
5 this proceeding.

6 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that a **status conference**, for the purpose of allowing the
7 parties to provide a **status update on any settlement discussions and a proposed procedural**
8 **schedule**, shall be held on **March 9, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.**, or as soon thereafter as is practical, at the
9 Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington Street, Hearing Room No. 1, Phoenix, Arizona.

10 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **Staff shall file, on or before February 23, 2015, a**
11 **preliminary Staff Report** to include maps that reflect the boundaries of AWC's CC&N in the
12 disputed areas; reflect the portions of AWC's CC&N that are being served by Globe; identify where
13 Globe provides water and/or wastewater within AWC's CC&N; identify the location of AWC's
14 infrastructure in or near the disputed areas; and identify any other regulated water utilities in the
15 vicinity. The preliminary Staff Report shall also discuss the evolution of AWC's CC&N in the
16 disputed areas, including Decisions that have extended the CC&N area. Staff may conduct discovery
17 to accurately ascertain where Globe's provision of service overlaps AWC's CC&N.

18 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that AWC, Globe, and Staff shall **file a Joint Proposed Form**
19 **of Notice** on or before **February 23, 2015**.

20 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that withdrawal of representation must be made in compliance
21 with A.A.C. R14-3-104(E) and Rule 1.16 of the Rules of Professional Conduct (under Arizona
22 Supreme Court Rule 42). Representation before the Commission includes the obligation to appear at
23 all hearings, procedural conferences, Open Meetings for which the matter is scheduled for discussion,
24 unless counsel has previously been granted permission to withdraw by the Administrative Law Judge
25 or Commission.

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1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Law Judge may rescind, alter, amend,
2 or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at
3 hearing.

4 DATED this 9th day of January, 2015.

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7 SASHA PATERNOSTER
8 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

9 Copies of the foregoing mailed/delivered
10 this 9th day of January, 2015 to:

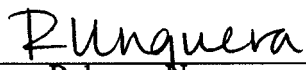
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